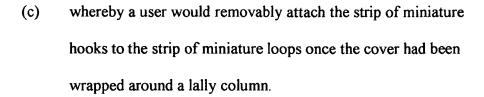
What I claim as my invention is:

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An apparatus for protecting the surface of a lally column comprising:

(a) a cover having a length and a width, the cover having two sides, a first side and a second side, the cover having two edges, a first edge and a second edge, the cover having a thickness of at least one-half (1/2) inch, the cover being fabricated from a dense foam material, whereby the cover would be wrapped around a lally column, and

- (b) fastener means for removably attaching the first edge of the cover to the second edge of the cover once the cover has been wrapped around a lally column.
- An apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the length of the cover (would be approximately eight feet, and further wherein the width of the cover (would be approximately eleven and one-half inches.
- 3. An apparatus according to claim 2 wherein the fastener means would further comprise:
 - (a) a strip of miniature hooks running lengthwise along the first edge
 on the first side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (b) a strip of miniature loops running lengthwise along the second edge on the second side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,



- 4. An apparatus according to claim 2 wherein the fastener means would further comprise:
 - (d) a first strip of tape running lengthwise along the first edge on the first side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (e) a second strip of tape running lengthwise along the second edge on the second side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (f) whereby a user would removably attach the first strip of tape to the second strip of tape once the cover had been wrapped around a lally column.
- 5. An apparatus for providing safety and for individuals and external objects comprising:
 - (a) a cover having a length and a width, the cover having two sides, a first side and a second side, the cover having two edges, a first edge and a second edge, the cover having a thickness of at least one-half (1/2) inch, the cover being fabricated from a dense foam material, whereby the cover would be wrapped around a lally column, and
 - (b) fastener means for removably attaching the first edge of the cover to the second edge of the cover once the cover has been wrapped around a lally column.

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An apparatus according to claim 5 wherein the length of the cover would be approximately eight feet, and further wherein the width of the cover (would be approximately eleven and one-half inches.

- An apparatus according to claim 6 wherein the fastener means would) further comprise:
 - (g) a strip of miniature hooks running lengthwise along the first edge on the first side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (h) a strip of miniature loops running lengthwise along the second edge on the second side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (i) whereby a user would removably attach the strip of miniature hooks to the strip of miniature loops once the cover had been wrapped around a lally column.
- 8. An apparatus according to claim 6 wherein the fastener means would further comprise:
 - (a) a first strip of tape running lengthwise along the first edge on the first side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (b) a second strip of tape running lengthwise along the second edge on the second side of the cover for the entire length of the cover,
 - (c) whereby a user would removably attach the first strip of tape to the second strip of tape once the cover had been wrapped around a lally column.